Missouri River Flood Task Force (MRFTF)

Concept Briefing

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Background

- USACE Guidance and Regulations for establishing Interagency Recovery Task Forces
  - USACE HQ Guidance: establish a Task Force that:
    - "ensures common purpose and drives effective collaboration across agencies and organizations during recovery" from the 2011 Flood
    - "effects short and long term recovery of damaged flood risk management systems in the Missouri River Basin"
  - USACE Regs – Civil Emergency Management Programs & Procedures, Actions after Occurrence of a Flood Event (ER 500-1-1):
    - Goal: "achieve a coordinated, rapid, and effective multi-agency response to damaged flood and floodplain management system, while ensuring a cost effective approach to flood damage mitigation, floodplain management and the protection of important environmental and natural resources inherent to the floodplain"
    - Interagency Process for Nonstructural Alternatives – "allow those agencies with programs for nonstructural alternatives to repairing levees the opportunity to work with public sponsors who may wish to consider a nonstructural alternative"

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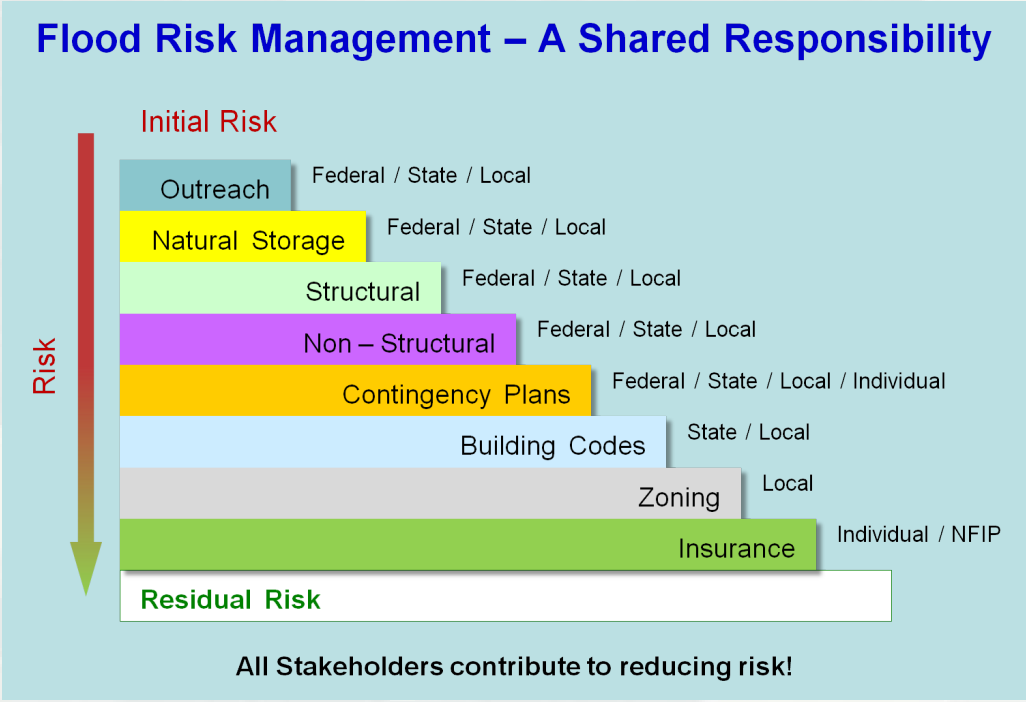
Mission

In response to the Missouri River Basin flood of 2011, the Missouri River Flood Task Force (MRFTF) will provide a temporary forum for coordination, collaboration, and cooperation to address floodplain management challenges and keep comprehensive flood risk reduction as the top priority.

- Feds, States, and Tribes of Nebraska, Montana, Iowa, South Dakota, North Dakota, Wyoming, Kansas and Missouri
- Complete initial repairs by 1 March 2012
- Coordinate long term recovery activities/actions and programs
- Implement basin-wide flood risk



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Key Operating Principles

- Timeliness
  - Seize the window of opportunity - act quickly yet deliberately
  - Apply innovative, outside-the-box thinking
- Coordinate, collaborate, communicate
  - Realize a Shared vision with Shared responsibility
  - Speak with one voice to the public
  - Be open and transparent
- Leverage authorities
  - Members are empowered with authority to make decisions
  - Agencies retain statutory authorities & responsibilities related to their programs;
  - Not a decision-making body; decisions will be made by appropriate authority at appropriate level of government.
  - Understand and apply all relevant authorities and programs of each agency
  - Supplements Government to Government consultation with the Tribes
- Participation
  - Each agency will fund their participation
  - NGOs can participate as observers, contributors, or partners

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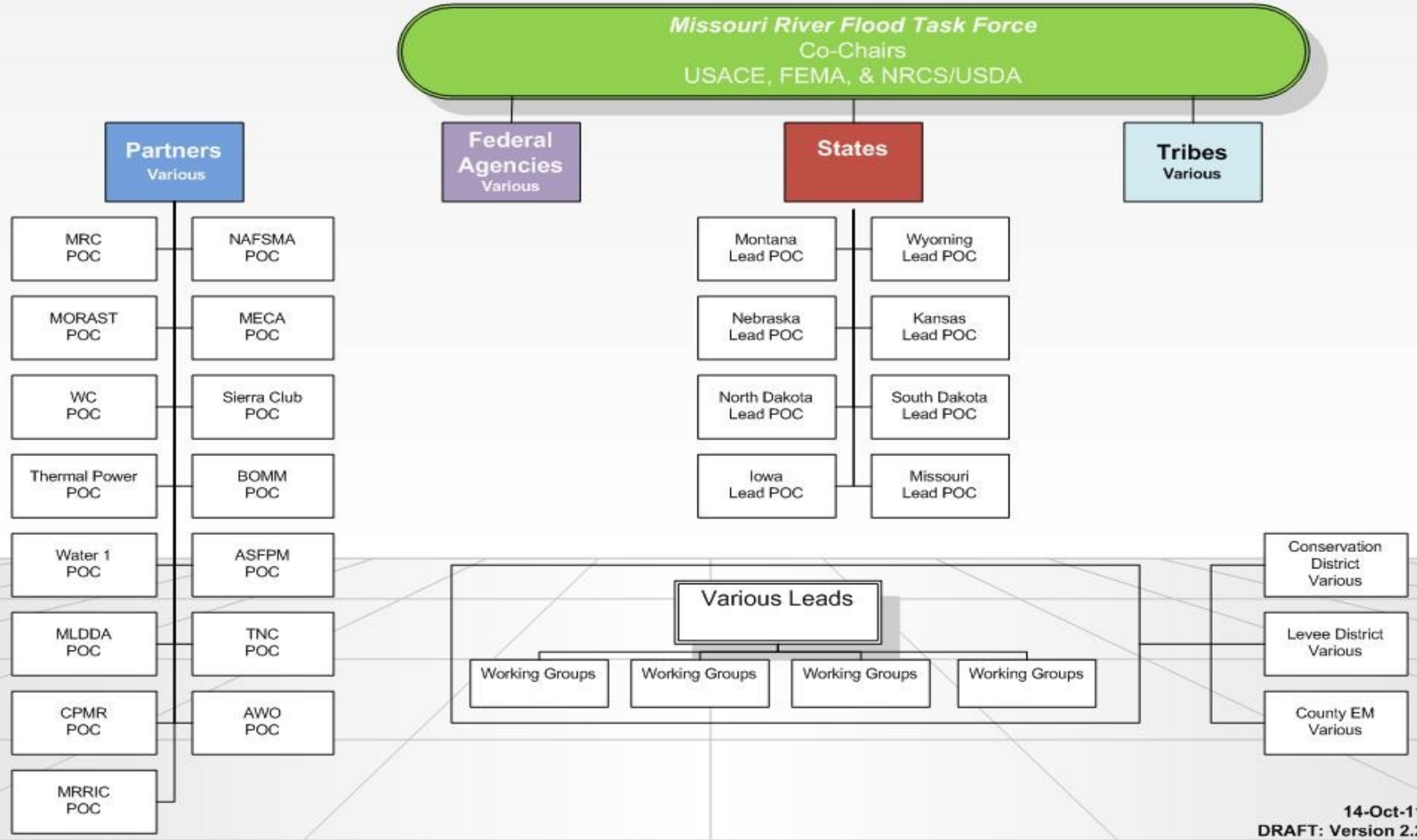
Conceptual Organizational Chart



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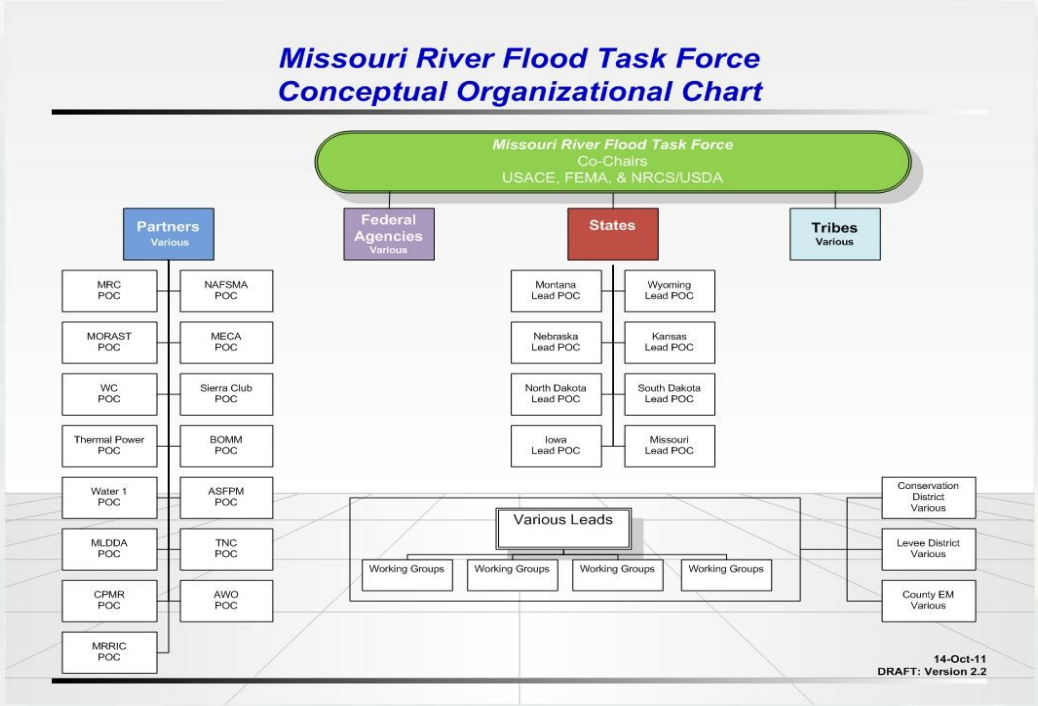
Task Force Operation

- Co-chairs:
  - Commander, USACE Northwestern Division (NWD), FEMA Regional Administrators - Regions VII and VIII, NRCS Regional Conservationist.
  - Roles: establish agenda for each meeting, provide oversight to task force and working groups, facilitate sharing of information, identify and address issues requiring resolution
- Working Groups:
  - The mission of the MRFTF will be achieved mainly through the efforts of the working groups, which will be established by the co-chairs.
  - Participation on the working groups will be by self-nomination by any member agency or any PCO.

Purpose



Partner Post Flood Tasks:

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Corps Post Flood Tasks:

1. Water Management Review
2. Flood Fight Review
3. Infrastructure Damage Assessment
4. Basin Impact Assessment

Decisions

Progress

Results

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